

# EXTRA.

## THE TURF

**Opinion Divided in the  
Case of Eugene  
Leigh.**

**NOW FOR FOUR-MILE RACES**

**Chicago May Have a New Track  
Next Year.**

The case of Eugene Leigh, who was warned to take his horses from the Brighton Beach race track, still excites a great deal of interest. The fact that the Lexington racing circuit seems to be divided regarding the verdict given in this gentleman's case. There are people who believe that the ruling of the Association was not severe enough, while others intimately acquainted with Leigh declare in positive terms that the turfman has always been "on the level" and is not to be taken advantage of. Leigh is charged, Mr. Leigh asked to have his case reopened on Friday last. His request was refused. As a last resort the turfmen then issued a long statement through the press in order that the public may judge for itself as to whether the decision in his case was or was not just. Space does not permit the printing of the statement in this column. Briefly, Mr. Leigh produces evidence to prove that he bet on Inferno, Gambler and Belle on July 13. He exposes the cipher which he uses in sending away commissions and shows telegrams which were sent to his agent in Buffalo, N. Y., on July 13, 1900, in which he sent telegrams \$200 each way on Inferno, \$200 straight on Eleanor, \$200 on Gambler and \$400 straight on Ma Belle. In addition he bet \$400 more on the latter at the track. Whether or no Mr. Leigh believes he got a ride for his money he does not say. He takes pains to point out that he is not making any reference to his bet to the effect that Martin had thrown him down more than once. The fact he believes Mr. Leigh to be innocent.

base unborn. Nevertheless Mr. Leitch's statement of evidence entitles him to the right of reply from the Brighton Association.

Hageland's mile in 1:40.9 and Sheep race for the same distance in 1:41.1 makes plain the fallacy of bringing Hageland's record into consideration as excuse for Ma Belle's performance on Wednesday last. It is evident that Ma Belle was not at her best on that day. This doesn't prove that she cannot be fast at the distance.

It is said that President Walcott, of the Mountaint Park Association has given order that the race be run on the straight course. This will be received by the public with disfavor. The race has been run on the curve last fortnight can the horses be discerned as even then it is hard work to tell who is in front.

A despatch from Chicago says: There will be another race track in Chicago next year. The new track will be owned by an organization of horse breeders and owners, who will take this means of redressing their accounts with the public.

The plan, with which many of the most prominent owners and breeders in South and West, were named by an organization, is to build a track which will be standing in the Washington Park stake-beds since its first publication.

The plan is of a unique character, and though it may never be transferred from paper to fact, it is a very interesting one or means behind it. It contemplates clearing out of all the Washington Park stake-beds, and the race track will be controlled only by the owners. This action is proposed because of the great dissatisfaction among the owners with the way the Washington Park is conducted.

The announcement by the Coney Island Jockey Club that during its fall meeting "odd-time" race at four miles will be run at the track, is a very interesting one.

long-distance racing. In these days of 1 1/2-furlong sprints a four-mile race is a position far in the future. It is evident that one of the associations to knock out the four-mile record held by Lexington 7-194. The added money is \$5,000, and \$5,000 if Lexington's time is beaten and \$2,000 if it makes a stake of \$10,000, and it is more than probable that the time will be beaten. Ten Brook held the four-mile record of 7:19.40, but a huge as Mr. Joe's was broken, and that the theory that racing horses of the present generation cannot go the distance is not true. The record of Mars can easily make a new record. Analysis of Lexington 7-194 shows that each mile in 1:45 would do easily. A good horse should be able to do this. A such horse, such as Poet, Scud, Kaeleed or Banquet. Montague and others entered, what a grand race! The record of Lexington 7-194 is a record of the quality of these races. The Gray Island Jockey Club is entitled to praise for making this alternative in resorting these old-time races.

Patron is brought over to Monmouth Park during race days and left in the paddock, if he may be assured accustomed to the noise of the grand stand and the disposition, and if he is claimed that the crowd and noise have injured his people, the country are as a rule, said of Mars, Yorkville Belle and others.

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